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ONE CENT

WOMAN AND HER GRANDDAUGHTER ARE KILLED CROSSING TRACKS AT THE SPEERS' STATION

Mrs. Ella Headley and Miss Mary Edith Headley, Meet Awful Death While Hurrying For South-bound Train

BODIES ARE BADLY MANGLED

Identification Possible Only By Clothing and One Gold Tooth—Effort Made to Save Them by Station Man Proves Futile

Mrs. Ella Headley, aged about 54 years and her granddaughter, Miss Mary Edith Headley, aged 14 years, both of Belle Vernon, were instantly killed, their bodies being ground into an unrecognized mass when struck at the Speers' crossing by the north-bound passenger train from Uniontown due in Charleroi at 9:09 o'clock this morning.

Mrs. Headley and her granddaughter were on their way to Coal Centre. They had left the home at Belle Vernon of C. R. Headley, a son of Mrs. Headley's where they had been living, for the purpose of going to Coal Centre to visit with Arthur Headley, another son who is a miner employed in the Eclipse mine.

The northbound train was a few minutes late and it had not gone through when the southbound train stopped. The two women started across the tracks to board the southbound train when the flyer approached. William Jamison, who is employed at the Speers' station, tried to reach them, but his efforts were in vain and he could only turn his head as the awful accident appeared inevitable. The two were thrown against the iron fence which divides the tracks, and their bodies literally ground to pieces.

Deputy Coroner Lawrence E. Frye was summoned from Charleroi. He picked up the remains and brought them to Charleroi, where Coroner James T. Heffran was at the time. There seemed nothing by which identification could be made. No marks were on the clothing which was retained. (Continued on Page Four.)

MAJESTIC THEATRE

PROGRAM OF EXCEPTIONAL MERIT.
Tuesday
Triangle Day
Robert Harrison in "The Bad Boy"
Wednesday
World Pictures
Robert Warwick in "The Man Who Forgot"
Thursday
Triangle Day
Ernst Bennett in "Princess of the Dark"
Friday
William Fox Production
Thea Bara in "The Darling of Paris."
Saturday
Triangle Day
Norma Talmadge in "Fifty-Fifty"

Save this program for future reference.
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JUDGMENT ASKED BY WATSON IN HIS CASE

Want of Sufficient Affidavit of Defense Reason Given—Pay Held Up By Controller for Two Months.

In the suit of James O. Watson against the county of Washington, a claim for wages as road inspector, which claim the county controller, T. J. Underwood, refuses to approve, counsel for the plaintiff Monday filed a motion for judgment for want of sufficient affidavit of defense.

This is the matter over which the controller and County Commissioner John O. Watson have been at loggerheads for several weeks. The plaintiff in the suit is a son of the county commissioner. James P. Eagleston, solicitor for the county, stated that the commissioners admitted the sum claimed was due, and that upon investigation the commissioners had secured proof that the plaintiff was competent to do the work which he is doing. Referring to the statement filed by Controller Underwood, in which he asked that an investigation be made of the competency of the junior Mr. Watson to perform the work for which he had been appointed, Mr. Eagleston submitted to the court a number of letters, including one from the county engineers, bearing on the competency of James O. Watson. The pay of Mr. Watson for February and for January was held up by the controller. The court took all the papers and will consider the questions raised and make an order.

ROADS IMPASSABLE THROUGHOUT COUNTY

Rural Mail Men Unable to Make Way Through Drifts—Squads of Men in Beallsville District Endeavor to Open Up Highways.

Mail service in Washington county in the country districts was practically paralyzed Monday owing to the drifted conditions of the highways, which in spots were impassable. Reports from all sections state the carriers found it impossible to cover their routes though all attempted to do so. Drifts were encountered so deep that the horses floundered about helplessly and could make no progress.

Funerals, grange meetings, oyster suppers, and other events in the rural sections have been postponed from two to three days. Owing to the heavy storm, the funeral of James S. Wickerham of Deemston borough, has been postponed for a second time.

Many schools throughout the county were closed as it is impossible for the pupils to make their way through the mass of snow.

In the Beallsville district road supervisors had squads of men at work trying to open the roads for traffic but the wind and snow which continued to fall resulted in drifts forming again immediately.

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CHECK UP ON WEIGHT IS SEALER'S ADVICE

County Official Suggests That Family Buyer Adopt Protective Measures To Keep Down Prices.

"World conditions affecting the high cost of living have played havoc with the greatest industry in the world—housekeeping." This statement was made by Sealer of Weights and Measures O. Evans Mikesell.

Continuing, Mr. Mikesell said: "A condition of markets in this country today, not of our own making has brought the average housekeeper to a place where wits must be matched successfully against the prevailing high prices to keep the family larder filled. This is a period of emergency. Normal conditions have been shot to pieces, figuratively speaking by the world-wide war."

"At a time when living commodities are nearly out of reach of the poor and those in moderate circumstances and wages have not been advanced in proportion, every safeguard should be thrown around the family market basket. The purchasing public can lend valuable assistance to the department of weights and measures by checking up all purchases by weight, measure or count for what you want and then see that you get what you ask for. If you know of any dealer who refuses to comply, notify this department at once. This office will make every effort and use every facility available to see that you get what you pay for in every instance, but do not fail to secure and retain the evidence necessary."

"As a rule this office has found most all of the dealers honest. But in every community there are a few who must be watched. They seem to be willing to take a chance, depending upon the lack of facilities of this office and the prevailing negligence of the purchasing public for success in their short-weighting processes. The buying public should bear in mind that the daily newspapers carry market reports of all commodities and living necessities. Here are found all quotations, both retail and wholesale. There are no preferred buyers or dealers. Prices are fixed by the general market. All are treated alike."

"I would admonish the buying public to beware of glaring posters announcing the sale of certain commodities below the regular market prices. Do not be misled by these flaming announcements. As a rule one dealer cannot sell any lower than another. Do not pass up your neighborhood store and be lured away by such statements expecting any material advantage in price saving. If you gain in price and lose in quantity to the same extent, where is the resultant gain?"

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ROAD COMMITTEE ORGANIZES WORK

Dr. J. N. Sprowls of Claysville President of Central Body

HEADQUARTERS TO BE OPENED

Two of the members of the central committee chosen by the citizens of the county to represent them in connection with the proposed road campaign in the county, if the voters authorize the expenditure of \$1,000,000 in bonds at a special election, held a meeting at the Community Building, Washington Monday for organization. Those present were Dr. J. N. Sprowls of Claysville and J. E. Masters of Charleroi.

Dr. Sprowls was chosen president of the central committee and B. F. Mevay, Jr., of Washington, was asked to act as secretary. The other member of the committee, A. C. Proudfit, of Burgettstown, was unable to be present.

Messrs. Sprowls and Masters called on the county commissioners Monday to take up the question with them as to whether it would be agreeable to them to have a committee work with them and act with them in letting contracts and to have an understanding as to what policy they would follow in respect to the general plan of road improvement. It is likely that the commissioners will give this committee a definite answer within a few days and that they, as well as the citizens of the county, may know just how the committee can work out the road campaign with the commissioners.

Within the next few weeks, or as soon as it is known definitely whether or not the commissioners will call a special election to vote on the proposed issue of one million dollars' indebtedness, headquarters will be opened in Washington for the conduct of the campaign favorable to the issue. The finance committee will select a treasurer and the other sub-committees an organization, speakers and publicity, will get together. Charles C. Johnson, treasurer of the Citizens Trust company of Cantonburg, was Monday named chairman of the finance committee.

LITTLE DAMAGE DONE BY WASTE PAPER FIRE

When waste paper in the basement of the First National bank building took fire this morning, a dense smoke was created that made it appear as though a serious fire was starting. The fire department was called out and had no trouble extinguishing the blaze, which did practically no damage.

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F. P. M'CLOSKEY FOLLOWS WIFE TO GRAVE IN PERIOD OF MONTH

**MUSICAL AUXILIARY MEETS
AT THE HOME OF MRS. RUSH**

The Musical Auxiliary to the Athene Club met at the home of Mrs. R. H. Rush on Washington avenue Monday evening. After a short business session the following program was taken up: Paper, "The Art of Chopin"; Miss Mamie Rockwell; song, "The Maiden's Wish," Chopin; Miss Emma Clutter; Mazurka, Chopin; Miss Marie Welch; piano solo "Staccato Etude," Rubinstein; Mrs. Phelps; piano duet, "Spanish Dance," Mozowski; Miss Elizabeth Steinbaugh and Mrs. C. Warren Kinder; Current Events Paper, Miss Mary Glunt. After a chorus practice, refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Rush and Miss Lula Buffle.

LONDON PRICES LESS THAN OURS

Robert Mountsier, Formerly of Charleroi, Tells of Food Cost Abroad

POTATOES 4 CENTS A POUND

Food prices are generally lower in London than in New York city, according to Robert Mountsier, formerly of Charleroi and son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mountsier of Washington avenue, who has just returned from Europe. The following story of Mr. Mountsier's investigations appeared in a recent issue of the New York Times:

Robert Mountsier of 417 West 118th street, an American newspaper man who has lived in England since last October, brought back with him on the Philadelphia yesterday his housekeeping account book with prices which show the necessities of life to be, as a rule, considerably cheaper in England than they are here. Mr. Mountsier said that it was true today, as it was before the war, that money would go considerably further in London than in New York.

The most interesting entry in his domestic ledger was that of 4 cents a pound for the best potatoes shortly before his departure from England. The best potatoes retail in this city at 9 cents a pound. He bought cauliflower in England, he said at uniform price of 4 cents a head, as against from 15 to 25 cents a head in this city.

Cabbages, Mr. Mountsier said, were plentiful and cheap in London, though he had no statistics in his domestic ledger of the exact price. When he was told that wholesalers who had bought them on the farm, last year for \$3 a ton now had to pay as high as \$10 for them, while they had gone up to 30 cents a head and practically disappeared from the market here, he said:

"That's very astonishing. All the London markets have been full of them at moderate prices. I've eaten
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Widely Known Retired Real Estate Man Succumbs to Heart Trouble

CAME HERE FROM THE EAST

Identified With Business Interests of Charleroi for Nearly Score of Years—Three Sons and One Daughter Survive.

Just four weeks after the death of his wife, Franklin P. McCloskey, a widely known citizen, died at his home at Crest avenue and Sixth street at 12:30 o'clock today. He was in his 67th year.

Mr. McCloskey has been in declining health since his retirement from active business life three years or more ago. When Mrs. McCloskey died suddenly on the afternoon of February 6 he was at Atlantic City in quest of health. Immediately he returned and has been failing ever since. Heart trouble was the cause of death.

Mr. McCloskey upon coming to Charleroi from the eastern part of the state took up real estate work. He was identified with business affairs of the city for nearly a score of years, and for several years conducted the Charleroi Real Estate Agency company.

Three sons and one daughter survive. The daughter is Mrs. W. C. Fishburn of Princeton, N. J. Sons are Attorney D. M. McCloskey of Charleroi, Frank P. McCloskey of New York city and Palmer J. McCloskey, an assistant postmaster in the U. S. fleet in the Pacific waters. The latter has just left to join his fleet, after a furlough spent here.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been perfected, but will be announced within the course of a day.

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VIEWS FILE REPORT IN EAST PIKE RUN DIVISION

In the matter of the division of East Pike Run township into election precincts the viewers have filed their report. They find, after a careful consideration of the conditions observed at the view and the evidence submitted, that there is no necessity for a radical change in the present four precincts, but that certain minor changes in the lines of the precincts can be made that would better accommodate many of the voters of the township. The viewers have therefore redivided the township into four precincts, following the lines of the old precincts, with some minor changes. The voting place of the first precinct will be at the Grandville school house of the second at the Republican school house, of the third at the Phillipsburg school house and of the fourth at the Blanesburg school house. The change in the line of the precincts was made necessary because of a portion of the township was taken into West Brownsville.

Galbraith Bithers, high class entertainers at the M. E. church, Friday March 9. Adults 35 cents, children 15 cents.
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leroi, Pa., as Second Class Matter

HE MADE GOOD

More than 30 years ago a young man of German birth came to America, intending simply to make good Sunday morning he died. His ambition more than realized. The man was Christopher Brown.

Mr. Brown, whose 13 years of residence in Charleroi won him a wide acquaintance, first took up intermarriage work, at which he became in a short time an expert of the first rank. It was while engaged in this trade that he attracted the attention of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company, then endeavoring to perfect a sort of marble glass. Mr. Brown was secured to direct the work of development. He succeeded so well that today the Carrara glass, so named after Carrara marble which it strikingly resembles, is known the nation over as a wonderfully durable and cheap substitute for the Italian marble.

Mr. Brown superintended the operation of the local department all the years of his residence here and standardized the ware. He died in the prime of life, but not until he had truly made good.

BOOM TIMES AT VESTA

By virtue of a late purchase the Vesta Coal company is preparing to develop a tract of 117 acres of fine coal lying back of Dunlevy and Vesta and obtainable through the Vesta No. 1 opening and by the use of the Vesta No. 1 tipples. The development promises to be one of the biggest things in local industrial circles in this or recent years.

Not another coal concern is situated as advantageously as the Vesta Coal company—a subsidiary of the Jones & Laughlin Steel company—for getting at this Dunlevy coal. Part of the coal underlies what is known as the Johnston farm and to get at it even through the use of the Vesta tipples will require the laying of additional trackage. Yet the erection of new tipples will be entirely unnecessary and the Vesta Coal company will not have to create a new opening. A stable is available, and the community is well located for miners. If any other coal concern, as for instance the Frick Coke company, should have secured the tract and attempted development they would have been put to big expense in erecting tipples and driving an opening.

Charleroi merchants will remember the boom times of former years when Vesta No. 1 operated. Miners from the now rather desolated community found Charleroi their best shopping center and they enhanced things considerably. The resumption will be a return to former times. It will take time to work out 117 acres. There will be little let-up in operations.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Why not a war tax on long winded speakers?

Wonder if LaFollette thought he owed the country revenge?

Everybody but the lady whose picture it is, admits that the photographer had a lot of work to do.

Don't worry about the man seeking a job. He may be a printer hunting printing.

Physician warns us that it is bad to eat meat more than once a day. Say! Why not ruinous.—Beaver Daily Times.

Tough Luck

The poet wrote of Rose, Babbette, Of Celia and Louise.
Of Gladys, Julia and Jeannette.
He loved such names as these.
He sang sweet songs to the above
Until a sad dilemma
Refell him, for he fell in love,
And shucks, her name was Emma!
—Philadelphia Star.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

An attorney was consulted by a woman desirous of bringing action against her husband for a divorce. She related a harrowing tale of the

ill-treatment she had received at his hands. So impressive was her recital that the lawyer, for a moment, was startled out of his usual professional composure.

"From what you say this man must be a brute of the worst type," he exclaimed.

The applicant for divorce arose and, with severe dignity, announced: "Sir, I shall consult another attorney. I came here to get advice as to a divorce, not to hear my husband abused!"

The visiting English merchant was talking impressively to the American. "In my firm," he said, "the clerks use 32,000 gallons of ink a year."

"Your office is evidently nothing compared with mine," replied the American. "Why, we saved that much ink last year by instructing our clerks not to dot their i's."

Miss Wilcox had been giving the class an elementary talk upon architecture.

"Now," said she, "can any one in the class tell me what a 'bustress' is?"

Little Walker arose, his face beaming with a quick flash of intelligence. "I know," he shouted, "a bustress is a nanny goat."

LOCAL DRUGGISTS

Tell how to take the Kernel Out of the Nut

PROCESS INVENTED BY TWO FRENCHMEN

A great deal of interest was aroused a few years ago by the announcement in our columns of the discovery made by two eminent French chemists of a method of extracting or separating from the liver of the cod the curative tissue-building principles of peptones and discarding the obnoxious, greasy, vile tasting oil, the thought of which is so disagreeable to as many thousands of people.

In other words they discovered a method of getting the kernel out of the nut because it is the concentrated essence of medicine found in the cod's liver that does the good. The oil is like the shell of the nut, absolutely useless to a patient and besides being useless, it is extremely obnoxious and disagreeable to sight, taste and smell.

The cod liver peptones combined with beef peptones, iron and manganese peptones and glycerophosphates in a rich tonic wine, put up under the name of Vinol, is a great combination of remedies to strengthen and revitalize the human body and assist nature to expel disease.

Piper's Drug Store, the leading druggists of our city were quick to recognize the value and secured the agency for Charleroi. Leading druggists in over 7000 cities and towns in the United States also secured the Agency for this marvelous strength and body builder and its success has been closely watched with ever increasing interest year after year.

When our readers are told that Vinol is sold on a positive guarantee by Piper's Drug Store and all these other druggists to create strength for the run-down, over-worked and debilitated, for feeble old people, delicate, puny children, and after sickness, and as a constitutional treatment for chronic coughs, olds and bronchitis, or their purchase money returned, and out of the millions of bottles of Vinol sold since the discovery was made less than three-tenths of one per cent have been returned by dissatisfied customers, it will give our readers a very clear idea of the success of this wonderful discovery.

So to all those people in our midst who need the strengthening, revitalizing effect of the medicinal properties of cod liver oil, we call attention to this delicious Vinol which contains the curative, revitalizing properties of cod liver oil, we call attention to this delicious Vinol which contains the curative, revitalizing properties of cod liver oil (but without oil) and with the valuable remedial agencies above noted have made Vinol such a wonderful success.

Piper's Drug Store will be glad to tell any their customers who are interested of the wonderful success they have had with Vinol.

Executrix Notice.

Estate of Clarence M. Allen, deceased, late of Charleroi Borough. Letters executory upon the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to those indebted hereto to make immediate payment and to those having claims or demands to present them for settlement.

Florence E. Allen, executrix,
Charleroi, Pa.
Roy I. Carson, Attorney, Charleroi, Pa.
Feb 6-13-20-27-M-6-13

APPROPRIATION PROBLEM IS UP

Committees Will Spend Week Looking Into Hospital Needs,

PURE BUSINESS PROPOSITION

Chairman Woodward Says That Available Money for Charity Will be Distributed According to Amount on Hand—Institutions Must Look to New Revenues for Increases.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 6.—The legislature having taken a recess until May 12 as a courtesy to the Democratic members, who desired to attend the inauguration ceremonies this week, considerable headway is being made with the appropriation problem in Charleroi. It is stated that the problem this session is more complex than ever before.

This week both the senate and house appropriation committees are visiting different sections of the state for the purpose of looking into the needs of hospitals and other institutions deserving state aid. The house members of the committee expect to travel from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh and from York to the southern part of the state to Charleroi in the north-east. Members of the senate committee have planned to go northeast and later to the extreme northwest, looking into the institutions in and about Erie.

High cost of living is entering into the demands for appropriations. Necessaries of life are higher, improvements cost more and there is a constant increase in wages among institution employees. In other words, it requires fifty per cent more to run a hospital now than it did ten years ago even if the number of patients is the same.

"Our work is a business proposition pure and simple," said Mr. Woodward, chairman of the house appropriation committee, when interviewed a few days ago. "The amounts available for charitable purposes will be distributed in a fair manner. If the legislature passes revenue acts to give us additional amounts then the hospitals will receive increases. In case we have no new revenues, it is absurd for any hospital to count on getting a huge increase. When the money is not here how I ask, can we order it paid out."

That the appropriation chairman is flinching on passing some revenue legislation was shown last week when he vigorously opposed a resolution to have the legislature adjourn early in May. He stated that revenue bills are pending and that there is no assurance of final disposition of these measures at the time mentioned in the final adjournment resolution. Woodward's protest succeeded in killing the resolution.

In adjourning over this week the Republicans "passed the buck" to the Democrats in the legislature, and forced the minority party to sponsor the resolution. The vote in the house, where the recess resolution was introduced, was 104 to 62. The Democrats and the members of the house appropriations committee voting for the recess. The senate concurred.

The Democratic senators had refused to sponsor the recess resolution and wanted the Republicans to put it across. The Republicans refused, as asserting that they would not take the responsibility for further delay.

NO CHANGE IN DOE LAW

House Committee Opposes Open Season Plan.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 6.—Members of the house committee on game are opposed to making any open season for killing deer although the suggestion has been made because of complaints made by farmers and fruit growers that female deer, which are protected by law, have been raiding their fields and orchards for the last year and causing much damage. The members of the game committee at a hearing given Secretary Kalbfus, of the state game commission, expressed themselves as opposed to any open season on the deer.

The members declared that they were favorable to a plan whereby state game wardens could kill deer or does at any time they were causing damage to farmers and becoming public nuisances, but not to permit any one else to do it.

It is probable, that there will be favorable action upon the bill to provide that \$15,000 of the revenues from hunters' license be set aside to reimburse farmers and orchard owners for damage done by deer, bear or elk under supervision of the game commission, which is authorized to name a jury of three to determine damages when an agreement cannot be reached.

ELECTION OFFICERS

Would Have Pay Increased From \$5 to \$7.50.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 6.—Representative Walter A. Ringler of Reading, introduced a bill in the house which aims to increase the compensation of election judges, clerks and inspectors throughout the state with the exception of Philadelphia, from the present rate of \$5 to \$7.50.

Some opposition has been expressed by up-state members particularly from the smaller counties as they say the local expenses are too great as it is

OVERWORKED CHARLEROI WOMAN COMES BACK

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WOMEN WHO FADE EARLY

How often we hear the expression, "How she has faded!" or "Hasn't she grown old!" Her friends see it. Her husband sees it. She realizes it herself with a pang. Often she knows the reason some female derangement has fastened itself upon her and makes it almost impossible for her to drag around from day to day. Such women should remember there is one tried and true remedy for their condition, and that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for more than forty years has been restoring women to health and happiness. Try it!

CHECK UP IN WEIGHT

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"Remember also how many pounds to the bushel of the various commodities, so as to be able to check up intelligently. The standard for Irish potatoes is sixty (60) pounds per bushel and for sweet potatoes, fifty-four (54) pounds. Apples are forty-five (45) pounds and coal (bituminous) is seventy-six (76) pounds per bushel. Onions and parsnips are fifty (50) pounds and turnips sixty (60) pounds to the bushel. A weight and measure card will be mailed free to any resident of Charleroi or Washington county who makes the request. This card enumerates the weights for fifty or more commodities.

"In conclusion I want to say that this department will consider this statement as sufficient warnings to all who in any way contribute to short weighing or cheating in any manner. Weights of most all commodities are fixed by law and sixteen (16) ounces make a pound. A diligent look-out will be kept and all violations will be punished to the fullest extent of the law. No leniency will be shown and none should be asked."

A CUB LION

From the Weatherman's Zoo



BEST EDITORIAL COMMENT

Relating to Live Topics—By the Nation's Greatest Thinkers

WOMEN AFTER THE WAR

From the New York World

The mobilization of women for war work continues. Under the plan for releasing non-combatants in the British and French armies for active military service women are to take over most of the clerical positions hitherto filled by men. Tens of thousands of women are already serving as army cooks and waitresses and in like occupations, and other thousands will be assigned as typists, accountants, storekeepers, secretaries, motor-drivers and garage hands. Apparently it is destined to outlast the war, practically all of the routine work of the pay and commissary departments.

This brings the war practically near the endgame. From the farms of England and France armies to the trenches, women in vast numbers are now doing what before the war was man's exclusive work and doing it so well and with such zest that the question is pertinent as to how they can be persuaded to quit it when the war is over. Will

the women who have proved their equal capacity in the mines and factories, and in a hundred vocations previously monopolized by men, consent to return to scrubbing and sewing? Will the multitudes of women who run tram-cars and buses and elevators, and serve the public as capably as men employees ever did, relinquish their jobs for the asking? Will employers who have learned their efficiency consent to have them go?

The question is an important one in its bearing on the future of women in industry in the belligerent countries. They have had a new birth of economic freedom. They have achieved at a stroke, in their patriotic response to their country's need in a crisis, an industrial independence for which they might have fought in vain for years under peace. When they surrender it will be a heavy sacrifice. Of the many readjustments of economic relations which are certain to come after the war none contains more interesting possibilities than the disposition to be made of women's labor in the light of its new conditions.

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The Wild Pigeon Mystery.

That the wild pigeon, once so common in the United States, has become extinct is one of the strangest mysteries in American natural history. It is a puzzle which has baffled scientists and which probably never will be solved. Half a century ago wild pigeons were abundant in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and all the states of the middle west. In their migrations they traveled in flocks numbering tens of thousands, and it sometimes took a single flock the better part of an hour to pass a given point. Vast numbers of the pigeons were killed every year by gunners, but many investigators hold that the complete disappearance of the species must have been due in part at least to other causes. No other bird was ever so numerous in this country as the pigeon.

New York's Subways.

More than 2,000,000 start each day from the terminals of New York's subway system. They are running on a bed of steel and concrete, and as they fly through the air, they are as fast as the wind.

Between 1,000,000 and 1,500,000 persons ride each day on the subway. This is more than twice the number carried daily by all the trains of the entire Pennsylvania railroad system. Nearly two-thirds of the New York users of the subway are carried during the morning and evening rush hours. Rapid Transit.

Mocest Pa.

"Pa. was mother much of a when she was young?"
"I guess not, my dear. Anyhow I'm the best she could land"—Detroit Press.

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To My Friends
I have opened a shop at Lock No
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metal work, as well as warm air
furnace work will receive my usual
careful attention **J. M. Whitlatch**
214-4-12

New Director of the Mint



Raymond T. Baker, once warden of
a Nevada penitentiary and former
secretary to George T. Marje, when
the latter was ambassador to Russia,
has been appointed by President Wilson
as Director of the Mint. Mr.
Baker succeeds Robert W. Woolley
who resigned last summer to become
publicity director of the Wilson cam-
paign.

* NORTH CHARLEROI *

Earl Amos returned to his home in
Richmond, Virginia after spending
two weeks with his sister, Mrs. John
Ellenburger.

Samuel Gaskill was a recent busi-
ness caller in Donora.

Mrs. Laurence Welson and children
spent Sunday in Donora.

Miss Grace Phillips spent Sunday
with her cousin, Miss Anna Miller at
the California State normal.

Mrs. Hiram Myers visited her
daughter, Mrs. O. J. Kregor in Mon-
essen.

Mrs. W. P. Hagerty was a caller in
Pittsburg.

Miss Ruth Geho of Belle Vernon
visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Ed. Geho.

Mrs. E. O. Davis and daughter Miss
Pansy have returned to their home in
Greensboro after visiting the former's
sister Mrs. Clyde Flenniken.

Mrs. William Parks and daughter
Miss Mazie and son, Eugene attend-
ed a basketball game in California
Saturday evening.

Mrs. L. Lewis of Belle Vernon was
a recent caller here.

Mrs. John Cope and son William
were callers in Pittsburg.

PERSONALS

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. James B.
Welsh, a son, March 4th.

Mrs. George Clark of Crest avenue
has returned from a visit with rela-
tives at East Liverpool, Ohio.

W. Hughes of Monessen was a caller
in Charleroi Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins and
daughter Edith of Washington avenue
were in McKeesport Monday to at-
tend the funeral of Mr. Jenkins aunt,
Mrs. Evelyn Miller.

Mrs. M. A. Williams and daughter
Miss Leila of Pittsburg are visiting
with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Cook of
Washington avenue.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Beth-
em of Fallowfield avenue a nine
pound son.

Louis Beigel of Pittsburg was a
business caller in town Monday.

Mrs. R. T. Ellenberger of McKean

Mahieu's Specials

Fancy White Potatoes, pk.	85c
Splendid Grape Fruits, 6 for	25c
Carrots, lb.	6c
Extra Fancy Cranberries, 3 full qts	25c
Sunkist Oranges, doz.	15c
Navel Oranges, doz.	20c, 25c and 40c
Florida Oranges, now at their best, doz.	25c-30c
Ruta Boga, per lb.	5c
Large sound fancy Onions, 2lb for	25c
Blue Rose Rice, 4 lbs. for	25c
Togo Rice, 3 lb. cloth bags, per bag	20c
Slightly Broken Rice, 5 lbs. for	25c
California White Cherries, per can	15c
California Bartlett Pears, per can	15c
California Apricots, per can	15c
California Asparagus, per can	15c
Sunrise Milk, tall can	10c
Full Pint Bottle Peroxide	25c
Neptune Flour, none better at any price, small sk	\$1.30
Fresh Eggs, doz	40c
Moxley Special Oleo Butter, 5lb pail	\$1.35
Choice Oleo Butter, 3lb for	65c
Raven Tip Matches, 6 boxes for	25c
High Grade Red Beans, per can	10c
Crushed Maine Style Corn, per can	10c
California Black Stewing Figs, per pound	15c
Washington Crisp, pkg	10c
Farm House Rice, fancy uncoated, 1lb box	7c
Farm House Elbow Macaroni, 10c pkg	7c
Serv-us Laundry Soap, 5c cakes, 7 for	25c
Sultana Seedless Raisins, per lb.	11c
A. G. S. Coffee, 1lb tin, a very good coffee	25c
Rich Pasture Butter, none better, few as good, 1lb print, or tub per lb.	46c
Pure Cane Sugar, per 25lb, we have plenty of it.	\$2.50

August Mahieu

Cooperative Building
Our Dividend Checks are Good for a 5 per cent Rebate
Redeemable on Demand in Most Useful Articles

avenue left Tuesday for Illinois being
called their by the serious illness of
her father.

J. K. Brumbaugh is seriously ill at
his home on Crest avenue, it is said
from diphtheria.

FALLOWFIELD CASES NOW BEFORE JUDGE McILVAINE

The first case taken Monday after-
noon in the county courts was that of
Joseph Hawkins and others against
the West-End Electric Street Rail-
way Co. Two suits in which the same
parties are the plaintiff are interest-
ing, are being heard together. They
are claims for damage for land taken
for right of way purpose in Fallow-
field township, near Bentleyville. The
cases were formerly tried and appeal-
ed to the superior court. The ap-
ellate court reversed the lower court
and sent them back for re-trial. The
cases originally reached court on ap-
peal from the award of viewers. The
cases are being heard before Judge
McIlvaine.

Council Meeting Tonight.

The regular monthly meeting of the
borough council will be held tonight
in the borough chambers.

Miss Espey Charming Hostess
Miss Garnet Espey proved herself
a charming little hostess last Satur-
day afternoon, when she entertained
a number of her little friends at the
home of her parents on Oakland ave-
nue. The affair was in honor of her
ninth birthday. The hours were
from 2:30 until 5, during which time
games and dainty refreshments were
enjoyed. Miss Garnet was the recip-
ient of many pretty presents.

LIFE OF THE WORLD.

Traditions That It Will Last Only
6,000 Years.

There is a general and widespread
notion, which the curious investigator
will find scattered through both
medieval and modern literature, that
the world will last 6,000 years from
the date of its creation. An inscription
in one of Martin Luther's books reads
as follows: "Elijah, the prophet, said that
the world had existed 2,000 years be-
fore the law was given (from Adam to
Moses), would exist 2,000 years under
the Mosaic law (from Moses to Christ),
and 2,000 years under the Christian
dispensation, and then it would be
burned."

In the Etruscan account of the crea-
tion (by Suidas) there is a similar tra-
dition. "The Creator spent 6,000 years
in creation, and 6,000 more are allotted
to the earth."

In the black letter edition of Foxe's
"Acts and Monuments" (1562) there is
a whole sermon given with the 6,000
year limit of the earth's duration as a
text.

Some writers contend that the "six
days" referred to in Holy Writ really
mean 6,000 years and that the "seventh
day" is a type of the coming millen-
nium, or "Sabbath of a thousand
years."

The psalmist says, "For a thousand
years are in thy sight as yesterday
(Psalm xc. 4). See also II Peter iii, 8
which is even more specific.

POISON GAS BEETLES.

Fumes With Which Bombardiers Keep
Their Enemies at Bay.

Most people think that the use of
poison gas in warfare is a purely
human, or perhaps one should say in-
human, idea. Yet the plan has been
adopted by nature. Certain kinds of
beetles known as bombardiers and
called by scientists Brachinus make
free use of poisonous fumes to keep
their enemies at bay.

A typical species known as Brachinus
crepitans is largely attacked by
certain ground beetles. These ground
beetles are very active and can easily
overtake the bombardiers. Just as they
get within reach, however, a very
strange thing happens. The bombardi-
er has the power of ejecting a pecu-
liar liquid, which, when it comes into
contact with the atmosphere, bursts
into a sort of pale green flame. This is
immediately followed by a kind of
smoke.

Now, this smoke has a remarkable
effect upon the pursuer. No sooner do
the fumes come into contact with the
ground beetle than the creature is
blinded and stupefied. A strange par-
alysis overtakes the insect, and it
seems unable to move any farther.
Quite a while elapses before the ground
beetle recovers. In the meantime the
bombardier makes good his escape—
American Boy.

Impeachment Cases.

Although one president of the United
States (Coburn), one cabinet officer
(Belknap), six United States judges
and eight governors of states have
been impeached since the foundation
of the republic, only one senator, Wil-
liam Blount of Tennessee, has been im-
peached before the U. S. House of
Representatives, in which he was elected.
Of the eight governors impeached, seven
were dropped, one was permitted to
resign, and three were removed. Three
of the impeached judges were removed
and three were acquitted. Both the
United States House of Representatives
and the United States Senate have im-
peached cases. The most important case
was the impeachment of Judge
Pickens.

CAREFUL SPEECH.

It Aids Clear Thinking and the Ex-
pression of One's Ideas.

Nothing is more of a help to clear
thinking than careful speech. Very of-
ten we discover a flaw in our logic
when we attempt to put it into words.
observes the Irish World. But some-
times we really have ideas, though
we experience difficulty in expressing
them.

People of sympathetic natures are
frequently dumb in the presence of sor-
row. Some who are very intelligent
are so silent and dumb that they
overcome the object of their sym-
pathy.

A recent poet has intimated that for
the deep things of life language is in-
adequate. He is right, but how can it
be if it is the principal means of
prevent by which human beings get
those things together.

We learn to talk, as we say, in the
first few years of life, and some of
us go very little beyond that stage in
babyhood. We can ask for what we
want to eat and drink, but we are un-
able to express sympathy tactfully and
graciously.

We have a great many ideas that we
never try to put into words, because
we feel that we do not know the right
words. We have not really learned to
talk with the grace and tact which
the things we mean most to us.

NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

If There Were Fewer of Them There
Would Be Less Crime.

A St. Louis, Mo., man, who made
statement in an address delivered be-
fore a local bar association that he
one-fourth as much as to start at
keeping up our courts, jails, penitentiaries
and prisons as to help to help
neglected children, made a project in
life the high tide of crime street
would decrease.

This is a remarkable statement to
make, but coming from the source it
does, it is worthy of consideration of
all philanthropists and women. What
the speaker made his statement more
general and applicable to the country
as well as to the cities it would all the
same be worthy of credence.

The life of every one depends largely
upon the start made. There are those
who are started right and then depart
from the straight but narrow path, but
they are the exception and not the
rule. Thousands of little unfortunate
may be said to be born criminals, the
offspring of criminal parents. If not
so soon they are so bred. But it is
true as said by this St. Louis judge,
that if a benevolent and righteous pub-
lic would deal with the problem as it
might there would be less crime and
fewer criminals. — Knoxville Journal
and Tribune.

Our Public Health Service.

In the fields of preventive medicine
and in all matters in which the public
health is concerned the public health
service does work which is not only un-
surpassed but unequalled in any
country of the world. This is recognized
and fully appreciated in Europe, and
recently in one of the chief medical
journals of Europe high praise was
given to the service for the extremely
valuable information with regard to
disease and preventive medicine which
was disseminated by the agency of its
bulletins and other publications. In-
fact, the United States public health
service is unique and is an institution
of which this country has every reason
to be proud. It stands as an ever-
ready foundation upon which to erect
the department of public health when-
ever congress shall see fit to establish
it.—Medical Record.

Guessing a Star.

Mira, the wonderful star in the con-
stellation Cetus (the Whale), stands
foremost among those variable stars
which have produced so much guess-
work. Besides the theory that its
even monthly variations are due to the
flickering up and down of gas, it has
been conjectured that this distant sun
is subject to particularly acute sun-
spots, that its obscuration are due to
eclipse by huge planets revolving round
it, and even, according to Mangetius,
that it is not spherical in shape, as
other heavenly bodies are, so that we
see it sometimes in sections, some-
times in plane. One theory, as in
1789 and 1884, it has been up actually
to first magnitude, and from 1772
to 1876 it disappeared altogether. — Bor-
ton Transcript.

Warning a Serpent.

Down in Bermuda Mark Twain
made a speech about snakes to a group
of little girls. The speech was great.
The only trouble was that the little
girls could not appreciate it. It got
over their heads. This was the "im-
mortal's conclusion:
"Never warn a serpent in your hos-
om. It is far easier to warn it by
placing it under the pillow of an im-
mortal friend."

His Ear For Music.

"Has your daughter finished her mu-
sical education?"
"I suppose so," answered Mr. Twob-
bie, "but sometimes when she is play-
ing one of those classical pieces it
seems to me that she is starting to
learn all over again." — Birmingham
Age-Herald.

Translation.

"What on earth did that fellow mean
when he said he was a peregrinating
pedestrian, castigating his itinerary
from the classic Athens of America?"
"He meant he was a tramp beating
his way from Boston." — Baltimore
American.

Contentment gives a crown where
fortune hath denied it.—Ford.

WOMAN FOUND SELLING SALVE IS DETAINED ON SUSPICION

Selling salve in the hill district, a
woman who gave her name as Mrs.
Jennie Eck was detained by the po-
lice on suspicion Monday and cared
for at the police station. When
searched at the police station by two
women \$107 was found hidden in her
clothing. She said she had a boy of
18 years to support and that her
home is in New York state. She
probably will be released.

WOMAN AND HER

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covered and there were no cards in
the silver link purse that one carried.
In the pocketbook were only the two
tickets to Coal Centre, a \$5 bill and
a little change. A watch was found
in the snow near the Speers' scarion.

Near noon, as soon as the news of
the awful happening spread, C. R.
Headley, who is a butcher in the em-
ploy of the Federal Supply company,
investigated. The result was that he
and Mrs. Headley talked with Cor-
ner Heffran at Speers and Mrs.
Headley came to Charleroi. She was
able to identify the clothing of both
and to further establish proof by
means of a gold tooth, one of the vic-
tims had.

Last August 15 at the Speers
crossing Thomas Franklin Newman,
a well known Charleroi teamster lost
his life when struck by the same
down river nine o'clock train. After
the Newman accident a warning bell
was located at the crossing and with
the exception of periods of particular-
ly bad weather it has worked well.
It correctly informed people when
there was a train on the block. This
morning the bell is supposed to
have started ringing for the south-
bound train not sounding the alarm
sufficiently for the approach of the
northbound train. The Headleys are
supposed to have taken no note of the
approaching northbound flyer be-
cause of their eagerness to get aboard
their own.

SUIT AGAINST COAL COMPANY BEFORE COURT

Listed to be called in court Mon-
day is the suit of Belle Hutchinson of
Cullatin, against the Pittsburg Coal
Co. It is a claim for damages for
personal injuries. She avers she was
living in a house belonging to the de-
fendant coal company and that while
living in this house a porch of the
house gave way and she was injured.
She avers the porch had previously
been repaired at the instance of the
coal company and that these repairs
were not done in a proper manner. As
a result she avers the porch gave
way and she received injuries that she
avers are permanent in character. The
coal company denies ownership of the
property and any responsibility for
the accident.

Card of Thanks.

In this manner we desire to express
our gratitude to all those who sym-
pathized or aided us during the recent
death of our daughter and sister
Leorde. Especially do we thank those
who sent flowers. Mr. and Mrs. J.
H. Quamet, Josie M. Cicarelle. tl.

Deeds Recorded.

February 27, 1917—Anne B. Smea-
ton, et con., Toledo, Ohio, to George
W. Dawson, Charleroi, one-sixth inter-
est in a tract of 12 3/4 acres in East
Pike Run township; consideration, \$1.

School Board to Meet.

The school board is to hold a
regular meeting tonight, when regu-
lar business will come up.

CLASSIFIED

WANTED—Milliner apprentices.
Apply J. W. Berryman & Son. 210-4

WANTED—Piano player. All day
or afternoon. Salary satisfactory. F.
W. Woolworth Co., Charleroi, Pa.
219-13p

WANTED—Old False Teeth. Don't
matter if broken. I pay \$1.00 to
\$5.00 per set. Mail to L. Mazer, 2007
S. Fifth street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Will send cash by return mail. 219-83p

WANTED—50 laborers. Grading
work. Apply on job, Vesta Stop,
Charleroi car line. Vesta Coal Com-
pany. 220-46

FOR SALE—Seven room house
and bath. Inquire 203 Prospect ave-
nue. 220-46p

FOR SALE—Favorite gas range.
Inquire 231 Fallowfield avenue.
221-43-p

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, 218
Washington avenue. 221-43

AN UNFASHIONABLE FISH.

Fine in Flavor and Food Value, Yet Our Anglers Discard It.

It seems as if there are fashions in fish just now as there are in wearing apparel. A fish that brings in German markets nearly four times as much per pound as our fresh mackerel and considerably more than Laddock is thrown away by our fishermen because no one wants to eat it. Yet those who eat it praise it for its delicate flavor. Even the English like it. Every year they consume 3,000 tons of it. Yet we will have none of it.

This fish is known as the goosefish, anglerfish, devilfish and monkfish. True, its appearance is against it, but still the epicures in England and Germany demand it because it is delicious. Analyses made by the bureau of fisheries on samples show that goosefish contains considerably more protein than flounder, slightly more than a cod, a little less than halibut and considerably less than salmon steak.

The goosefish has an average length of three feet and is broad and flat, somewhat resembling the flounder in general outline. The only way to get it, says a Philadelphia woman, is for the housewives to club together and demand it. At the present time fishermen do not take the trouble to bring it home, but discard it from their nets—Popular Science Monthly.

CLAWS OF THE CANARY.

They Should Be Carefully Trimmed Every Few Months.

As a canary grows old it will be noticed that its claws get long and catch on the perches and wires as it hops about the cage. In a state of nature the activity of the bird as it moves about on the ground or among twigs and limbs keeps the claws properly worn down. Confined in a cage, the canary is less active, and while the rate of growth of the claws remains the same, they are subject to much less abrasion.

It is necessary therefore to trim them with a pair of sharp scissors every few months. It is important to watch the condition of the claws carefully, as by catching they may cause a broken leg. In each claw a slender blood vessel extends well down toward the tip. This may be seen on close examination through the transparent sheath of the claw. In trimming cut well beyond this canal and take special care not to break the leg while handling the bird.

In cage birds the horny covering of the bill as well as the claws sometimes becomes distorted through growth with out sufficient wear. The tips of the mandibles may be pared down with a sharp knife, but care must be taken not to cut deep enough to reach the quick.—United States Department of Agriculture Bulletin.

If She Were Free.

A woman of criminal tendencies, serving a prison term was asked, "If you were given absolute freedom to spend one night in the great city wholly uncontrolled, where would you go—to the theater, dance hall or where?" She replied: "I would choose a warm night after a rainy day, a night when all the electric lights were haloed around their heads and everything was foggy. I'd go to the park and walk for an hour up and down the paths, where I could see the reflections of the misty lights in the wet stone pavements. Then I'd like to go to some quiet place where I could hear organ music for another hour. Then I'd go to bed satisfied. But before I got to bed I'd open and shut my door for five minutes steadily. I'd want to know that it wasn't bolted!"—Buffalo News.

Father Fails Again.

Did you ever watch the bright young man father has picked out as the man with a future and invited home for dinner?

The B. Y. M. has read somewhere in his youth that B. Y. men are supposed to fall in love with and marry the boss' daughter. And he sits and stares, a-her, nervous as the dickens because he can't decide which is worse—losing his job or following precedent.

And the daughter plays the tune she knows on the piano and wonders "Whatever possessed father to bring that around here?"—New York Evening Sun.

A Slap at Her Complexion.

"Is it true that Mrs. Duvallet and Mrs. Twobble are no longer on speaking terms?"

"Yes, I fear the breach will never be healed."

"What did they fall out about?"

"They met on the street one day. Mrs. Duvallet said to Mrs. Twobble, 'My dear, how do I look?' Mrs. Twobble kissed her effusively and said, 'My dear, you are a work of art!'"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Water Soaked.

"The Giffers had a big bundle of stock into the fire yesterday morning."

"What a loss! It was destroyed, of course?"

"No. Giffers bought the stock from a promoter. It was too full of water to burn."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

A Concession.

"After looking at the postal stamps of other countries, I have come to the conclusion that you can't beat ours."

"Maybe not, but all the same, it gets lots of lickings."—Exchange.

More Than a Half.

"O! hear that Casey is havin' trouble wid his better half."

"Yis, she wants to be the whole thing."—Pearson's Weekly.

Nature fits all her children with something to do.—Lowell.

TESTING SUBMARINES.

It is an Easier Task Now Than It Was a Few Years Ago.

Vessels built to navigate under water require particular care in their construction, for when they are submerged they have to withstand the pressure of water from all sides without showing the slightest leak.

The newest submarines must be able to sink to a depth of 150 feet or more. At such a depth the pressure is tremendous, and if the joints are not perfect water squirts in as though through a hose pipe. Ten years ago testing a new submarine was a dangerous job. She might not be watertight. Her ballast might not be perfect, or again the air system might not be equal to blowing out the water from her tanks.

Terrible accidents have occurred in testing new under water boats during actual submergence, but today all that is a thing of the past. A testing dock is used, which was invented by an Italian engineer, Major Laurenti. It is a huge cylinder, into which the submarine is hoisted. A caisson at the end is closed and hermetically sealed. The cylinder is built so as to stand tremendous pressure, and pressure is slowly applied until it equals something far greater than the submarine herself will ever be called on to endure.

The men inside are in communication with those outside by means of telephone, so that if anything goes wrong the trial can at once cease.—Pearson's Weekly.

ETIQUETTE OF THE FLAG.

Rules Governing the Use of the Star Spangled Banner.

There are many citizens who are not familiar with the rules governing the use of the stars and stripes. To them the following hints on flag etiquette will be of interest:

The flag should not be hoisted before sunrise nor allowed to remain up after sunset. It should not be displayed upon stormy days.

When the flag is displayed at half-staff for mourning, it is to be lowered to that position from the top of the staff. It is afterward hoisted to the top before it is finally lowered.

When the flag is formally raised all present should stand at attention, with hand raised to the forehead ready for the salute.

When our national flag and state or other flags fly together or are used in decoration together our national flag should be on the right.

When used on a bier or casket at a funeral the stars should be placed at the head. In no case should the flag be allowed to touch the ground.

It is an unwritten law in the navy that the flag is never to be washed; it is always to be considered immaculate.

For indoor decorations the flag can only be used as a drape; it cannot be used to cover a bench or table, desk or box where anything can be placed or set upon the flag.—Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine.

The Use of Candy.

Pure candy is good for children. Pure sugar is good for grown people. Of course there are exceptions to every rule. If the doctor prescribes a diet and orders a patient to refrain from sweets the patient is bound to obey his adviser. What is the use of calling a physician and paying him for suggestions if the latter are treated with indifference? People in ordinary health need not be afraid to gratify an appetite which craves sweets. Those who have looked into the matter have been telling us lately that soldiers on the march hold out better if they have rations of sugar than if their food omits this useful commodity. A fondness for sugar is often a defense against the temptation to use alcoholic stimulants. The inebriate does not care very much about pure sweets.

Some New Uses For Yeast.

Because it is so essential in the making of bread and beer most of us think that yeast is useful for nothing else. But the Berlin Institute of Fermentative Industries calls attention to the fact that valuable flavoring extracts and tonics can be obtained from it and a relatively large percentage of muscle building matter. Its remaining constituent, a mass of cellulose, can be used to make a very hard mass, known as emulith, an excellent noninflammable substitute for celluloid.—Popular Science Monthly.

The Pulse Beat.

The readiest and roughest estimate of time is the pulse beat. It is said to know that the human pulse beat is not exactly sixty to the minute. That is one of the faulty disarrangements of life. But it comes pretty close. And the rough and ready calculator of the time between the flash of lightning and the thunder depends on his pulse when he cannot see his watch. To the ordinary man a second is a pulse beat.—London Chronicle.

Comprehensive Business.

"I suppose you built up your colossal fortune by attending strictly to your own business?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Dustin Stax. "But I made it my business to keep informed as to what the other people were doing."—Washington Star.

Unkind.

She—What do you suppose Harold meant by sending me those flowers? Also She—He probably meant to imply that you were a dead one.—Jack O' Lantern.

Paradoxical.

"The truth lies somewhere." "Strange conduct, that, for the truth."—Baltimore American.

LONDON PRICES

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more cabbages, cauliflower, and potatoes than any other vegetables."

Other prices quoted in his book were 44 cents a pound for unsweetened butter, which has kept close to 60 cents here, and 10 cents a pound for Brussels sprouts. Milk, which is scarce and considered dear in London, is slightly lower in price than here. Coal, of which there has been something like a famine in England recently, is now selling in London at about New York prices. It is \$9.68 a ton in small quantities which is below what has been charged here during the winter for coal in lots less than a ton, but just about the present price.

"Sugar is expensive and is doled out on small quantities," said Mr. Mountsier. "As a rule one cannot buy sugar by itself, but can get it only after he has purchased other things several times the value of the sugar. Rules were issued that candy could be made from raisins calling for only half the amount of sugar formerly used. While sugar is high, candy is still sold in large quantities and is not dear. Wages of course are generally lower in England."

"One of the striking discrepancies between prices in London and New York is that in spite of the fact that gasoline costs nearly three times as much in England as in this country London taxicab rates are about one-half the rates here. When in London I rode in a taxicab a distance of two miles with nine pieces of baggage, and the total charge, including the usual tip, was 5s, or about \$1.20.

While the necessity for economizing in the use of food is felt, I have been told by economists and shipping men that England is well provided with food for a long time ahead, so that the submarine campaign must become far more effective than it has been to make a great impression. I have very good authority for saying that England has imported vast quantities of foodstuffs and for a long period has been storing it against the possibility that the German submarine campaign might cut deeply into shipping.

"Living in boarding houses and housekeeping in flats has gone up in cost considerably, but is still much lower than in this city. Eating in restaurants is far and away cheaper than in New York. At the Ship and Turtle Restaurant, which is popular with business men, I had the finest kind of a steak for 36 cents—one which you could not get in a restaurant of similar class in this city for twice the price. The Pall Mall Restaurant, which is frequented by fashionable people, has a table d'hôte luncheon for 60 cents which cannot be approached in this city in a restaurant of that type for that price. In all classes of restaurants, the advantage in price over New York is quite apparent.

"While the limitations on courses are treated with some laxity, they have undoubtedly cut the consumption of food. The Northcliffe papers and some others are making a vigorous campaign against abuses, with daily attacks on different varieties of 'food hogs.'"

"They send reporters to restaurants to watch diners who are suspected of disregarding the ration of two and a half pounds of meat per week for individuals, and other restrictions, which Britons are put on their honor to observe. When a man is found who goes over the limit habitually, he gets into the Northcliffe papers—not by name, but he is so well described that those who frequent the restaurant, which is named, know who is meant."

Fury of Sunstorms.

How can we, who are bewildered and appalled by the fury of our planet's cyclones and volcanic eruptions, form a conception of the terrible energy of natural operations of the sun? Newcomb suggested that if we call the solar chromosphere an ocean of fire we must remember that it is an ocean infinitely hotter than the fiercest furnace and as deep as the Atlantic is broad. If we call its movements hurricanes we must remember that our hurricanes blow only about a hundred miles an hour, while those of the chromosphere blow as far in a single second. There are such hurricanes as, coming down upon us from the north, would in thirty seconds after they had crossed the St. Lawrence river be in the gulf of Mexico, carrying with them the whole surface of the continent in a mass not simply of ruin, but of glowing vapor.

Hard to Suit.

"This horn you sold me won't make any noise," said the customer.

"Well, I thought you wanted it for your grandson," said the clerk.

"So I did."

"Gracious! But you're a hard man to please!"—Chicago News.

Some Feet!

"All the while the cashier was burning the candle at both ends." "And keeping it dark? Well, I declare!"—Boston Transcript.

FOOD CRISIS TO BRING INQUIRY

Various Steps Taken to Meet Existing Conditions.

BUREAU OF MARKETS PROPOSED

Senator Sprout Would Have a Division in Agriculture Department—Two Members of House Offer Resolution for Commissions to Investigate the Question of Foodstuffs.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 6.—Legislation is being cleared by the legislature for a thorough and prompt investigation into the reasons for the high cost of food.

Senator William C. Sprout, Chester, has introduced in the senate a bill providing for the creation of a bureau of markets within the department of agriculture. The plan proposed by Senator Sprout is somewhat the same as has been inaugurated in other states and by the federal government in the so-called office of markets in the national department of agriculture. The purpose of the bill, as stated in the first section, is "for the purpose of furnishing proper, efficient and economical handling, packing, transporting, storage distribution, inspection and sale of agricultural products of all kinds within this commonwealth, and for the further purpose of assisting producers and consumers in selling and purchasing the same under fair conditions and a fair and reasonable price."

The bureau, the Sprout measure provides, shall be in charge of a director of markets, who shall organize said bureau and plan and formulate the work to be done. The bureau is to gather, formulate and disseminate information and by correspondence, publication and other practical means, keep producers, purchasers and consumers advised of the supply and demand of such products as come within its purview.

The bill also provides that the bureau shall publish periodical bulletins, setting forth current market prices and the source of supply, etc. The bureau shall also have the right to investigate delays, embargoes and charges in the transportation and handling of agricultural products, and also unlawful combinations or agreements in restraint of trade or for fixing prices, and may institute proceedings before proper courts under the laws of this state to prevent unreasonable prices. The directors will have broad powers in the inspection and grading of agricultural products and the production of the public against imposition.

A resolution, granting the governor authority to appoint a commission to look into the food question, was offered by Representative Glass, and was adopted.

Another resolution, introduced by Representative Frederick Beyer, also of Philadelphia, provides for the establishment of a legislative commission of six to investigate the food supply and moreover, directs the Pennsylvania public service commission to report whether railroads are responsible for the food famine by holding up freight cars.

WANT SALARY RAISED

One Legislator Thinks Members' Pay Is Too Small.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 6.—Representative Reichenbacher, new member from Wayne, declares that the high cost of living well warrants his standing by the bill he introduced in the house and which carries with it a substantial increase in the pay of members of the house and senate.

Reichenbacher would pay each representative and each senator \$2500 for attending biennial sessions of the legislature and \$500 additional in the event the legislature convened in special session. The present pay is \$1500. The man from Wayne would fix the mileage fee at thirty cents per mile an increase of twenty cents per mile over the present rate.

"It's been years since the legislature handled a bill calling for increased pay for its members. Present-day conditions are such and the cost of living here and in traveling to and from here is such that my bill should meet with the approval of every one," the sponsor says. Members of the present legislature would not profit by the passage of the bill since the salaries of state officers cannot be increased or diminished during their term of office.

PAY FOR DISEASES

Maurer Presents Important Addition to Compensation Act.

Harrisburg, Pa. March 6.—Compensation would be given workers for vocational diseases and deaths resulting from them as well as for physical injury or death by violence, by the provisions of a measure introduced in the house by Representative Maurer, the Socialist member from Berks.

The Maurer amendment to the workmen's compensation bill would have the terms "injury" and "personal injury" as used in the act construed to mean "violence to the physical structure of the body and such disease or infection as naturally resulted therefrom and also such disease or infection as may be found to be vocational or to inhere in the condition of the premises, or to result naturally from the operation of the employer's business. The same provision is made to apply to deaths."

Red Cross Nurse and Orphaned Serbian Boy She Has Adopted



When the Serbian army evacuated the towns of Shabatz and Nisch after a terrific bombardment, the streets were strewn with wounded and dying. Miss Elizabeth Saelley, a member of Mrs. Grouitch's Volunteer Hospital Corps, was among the first to give aid to the suffering after the battle. Among the dead she found a little Serbian boy, Bogojan Chapichanin, and adopted him. He is three and a half years old, a bright, knowing tot and was a favorite on the SS Finland, on which he arrived with his foster-mother last week.

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